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# The Market Report

#### **Planning & Development Ponderings**

Despite the economic uncertainties, the Planning & Development team have been extremely busy during the first half of this year.

The team has been working on several development land sales including an allocated site in Bedfordshire for 500 dwellings. In addition to this we have several sales currently with solicitors, including sites in Bedfordshire, Northamptonshire and Cambridgeshire. Other work includes our involvement in a number of longer-term strategic planning projects and have exchanged contracts on many Option and Promotion Agreements across the East Midlands and East Anglia. We have also secured planning permissions for landowners including the redevelopment of farm yards and replacement of agricultural buildings to dwelling houses.

In terms of the latest situation from a Local Plan perspective, North Northamptonshire Council undertook a 'Call for Sites' exercise earlier this year. The team was very busy putting sites forward on behalf of landowners and we expect to hear from the Council on this later in the year. The same goes for Milton Keynes Council who undertook a similar exercise in Spring 2022 and we expect their Local Plan to be ready for adoption in 2025. Bedford Borough Council, who have an adopted Local Plan to 2030, have already begun work on a new Local Plan up to 2040. Huntingdonshire District Council whose Local Plan runs to 2035 are rumoured to be gearing up for a 'Call for Sites' exercise potentially later this year. We will keep an eye out for this and provide a further update in the Market Report in due course.

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In terms of current Call for Sites exercises, Buckinghamshire Council are working on the preparation of a new Local Plan for development through to 2040. As part of this process the Council have begun a 'Call for Sites' exercise which will help them identify what land is available for both residential and economic development in Buckinghamshire. The Council now welcomes submissions to the 'Call for Sites' and this process runs until the 11<sup>th</sup> September 2022. If you have any land in Buckinghamshire and wish to speak with a member of the P & D team, please do not hesitate to contact us.

For those of you who read the Ponderings at the beginning of 2022, I provided a prediction of how this year might materialise, with some help from the RICS. I think it's fair to say the RICS were not far off with their prediction that things would be difficult in 2022, due to increasing cost of living and borrowing. Despite this, there is still developer appetite for good quality development land. We have had several

examples in the last few months of offers being very strong for sites and our focus for the next few weeks is to get those deals completed.

Should you wish to discuss the above, or any planning related matter, please do not hesitate to contact any member of the planning team, as we would be very happy to help.







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# **Thrapston Forthcoming Events**

Thursday 7th July Prime & Cull Sheep

Saturday 9th July
Store & Breeding Cattle, Sheep & Pigs

Thursday 14th July Prime & Cull Sheep

Saturday 16th July
Store & Breeding Cattle, Sheep & Pigs
Fur, Produce & Sundries

Thursday 21st July Prime & Cull Sheep

For further information contact Alastair Brown or Jake Wagstaff

### **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

Wednesday 24th August
Sale of Breeding Sheep & Rams

Wednesday 14th September
Sale of Breeding Sheep & Rams

Saturday 8th October
Sale of Breeding Sheep & Rams

#### **REPORT FOR THURSDAY 30TH JUNE**

#### 870 Prime Lambs

Prices saw a vast increase on the week with all accounts active and wanting numbers. Weight continues to pay with clear premiums. Top grade lambs competed with the weighted lambs. SQQ 300.62p/kg. J & K Holmes topped the day on the pence per kg seeing a tremendous showing of Texel Beltex lambs top to 327p for 40.5kg, in a league of their own. RJ & WR Crosse topped the day overall with Texels flying to £154 for 49.5kgs.

Highlights from the day saw George Thompson Farms with their first draw of Continental lambs, the top of their day saw 45kg lambs to £144; CJ White continued the trend with Texel Mules selling to £140 for 44.5kgs; JH Jones also saw their first draw of the season with Texels at 44kgs selling to £138; RC & JT Bailey penned a sterling run of best finished Suffolk Continentals at 50kgs to £150; NC & S Sheppard & Son saw their first draw of the season with 49.5kg Continentals selling to £149.50; CP Hankins & Son continued the trend of first draw cream seeing the top of 49kg Texels to £146; F & SM Stamper penned the usual goods with their compact Beltex crosses at 46kgs reaching £146; Cambridge University topped the Suffolks for the day seeing 51.5kgs to £145.

| То                      |         | From |         | Average |         |  |  |
|-------------------------|---------|------|---------|---------|---------|--|--|
| Standards (32.1 - 39kg) |         |      |         |         |         |  |  |
| 289p                    | £110.00 | 273p | £105.00 | 280.8p  | £106.15 |  |  |
| Mediums (39.1 - 45.5kg) |         |      |         |         |         |  |  |
| 327p                    | £144.00 | 281p | £115.00 | 301p    | £128.80 |  |  |
| Heavies (45.6 - 52kg)   |         |      |         |         |         |  |  |
| 317p                    | £154.00 | 269p | £130.00 | 298.3p  | £143.51 |  |  |

#### 159 Cull Ewes & Rams

Festival demand continues the drive in trade with the weeks closing in. Leaner ewes once again far out perform fat. Average for the day saw £117.81. R Law topped the day overall with a sterling pen of Beltex cross ewes selling to £170; A Hodson saw the trade of the day with big framed lean Continental ewes selling to £168; RC & JT Bailey topped the Suffolks with ewes selling to £150; R Law topped the Mules seeing big framed ewes sell to £150.

| То      | From   | Average |
|---------|--------|---------|
| £170.00 | £27.00 | £117.81 |

#### **SATURDAY 9TH JULY**

#### **BREEDING & STORE CATTLE**

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15 Strong Continental Steers & Heifers 24 Months

#### **NOTICE**

To ensure your entries are listed in the Saturday Store Sale Catalogue, please book in your stock by 4pm on Friday.

#### **NOTICE**

If you would like your stock to be included in the weekly report presale, please contact the office before 12 noon on Monday.

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#### **REPORT FOR SATURDAY 2ND JULY**

#### **Store & Breeding Cattle**

A better entry of cattle this week, with a small dispersal forward making up the numbers. Next week another good entry of cattle will be forward, so if you are looking for cattle why not come and have a look, as numbers look to be low throughout the next few months as normal seasonal entries will be short.

**Cows & calves** sold to £1680 for a British Blue Heifer with a 2 month Limousin calf at foot, with other similar entries selling to £1610 and £1500 for an Aberdeen Angus.

**Steers** sold to £1505 for a 20 month Limousin from EF Wootton & Son; Doraville Farms sold 36 month and 33 month Charolais to £1460 and £1300; JD Kendall sold a 17 month British Blue to £1000.

**Heifers** sold to £1195 for a 28 month Simmental from Eastern Farms Ltd with their entry of fifty, mainly dairy bred stores. Other heifers sold to £1100 for a 25 month British Blue, £895 for a Limousin and £800 for a bunch of 18 month Aberdeen Angus, realising an average of £803.51.

#### **Calves**

A larger entry this week with twenty-five forward from Evolution Farming Ltd with their Longhorn and Aberdeen Angus bulls topping at £350 and their Beef Shorthorn, Hereford and Aberdeen Angus heifers selling to £245, and they took an overall average of £269.40 per head; JEG James entered three calves selling to £280 for a British Blue Heifer.

#### **Pigs**

An entry of over fifty pigs this week saw the top price entry sell to £60 for four pigs from D Frost, with other small white pigs selling to £30; RJ Clark sold his pen of nine pigs to £45; L Redway sold eight Tamworth x pigs to £42 and an entry of small Black weaned pigs sold to £1, one lean Gloucester Old Spot x sow forward sold to £10 for L Redway.

#### Store & Breeding Sheep

**Hoggets** saw a "last hurrah" this week with a decent penning throughout, G Cope topped the day overall with black Texel cross hoggs to £111 with followers at £97. **Store lambs** saw the best entry of the year with P Dunford topping the day at £83 for Continental crosses; J Grace saw a bright run of Texel crosses with pens at £80, £76 and £73; JL Hammond drew another run of Beulah crosses seeing the most forward selling to £71.

**Feeding ewes,** J Millbank topped the day overall with a tremendous showing of Charollais rams selling at £174; M & M Hutton saw thick Texel cross ewes to £135, with smaller meat ewes at £114, the same vendor topped the day with Mules to £110.





Souster Youth is a charity based in Thrapston which works in local schools to support the social, emotional, and spiritual needs of young people. The team also work closely with churches, youth workers and community organisations to help youth ministry flourish in East Northamptonshire.

The team is based at the old Methodist Church on Market Road, Thrapston.

Souster Youth relies on fundraising and the generosity of donors and grant bodies to continue it's good work in our area. Thank you for your support!

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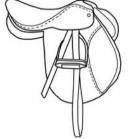




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# Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> September

Farm Dispersal Sale – Gt Gidding, Cambs

# Saturday 1st October

Farm Dispersal Sale - Lower Quinton, Warks

# Friday 14th October

Farm Dispersal Sale – Horninghold, Leics

## Friday 21st October

Farm Dispersal Sale – Cottenham, Cambs

Further details in the coming months

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